PHILOSOPHY 331 A01
Issues in Biomedical Ethics
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with particular focus on the Canadian scene. At distinguishes between health care viewed as a commodity and health care viewed as a right, and considers such more specific issue such as abortion, informed consent, the healthcare profession-patient-relationship, substitute decision making, reproductive technologies and medical assistance in dying. The first part of this course is devoted to acquainting students with the various ethical theories that are used when dealing with these issues, so no philosophical background is required.

Since this course deals with issues on the interface of theory and practice, emphasis will be

    - Mid-term examination #2:
    - Final examination: scheduled by the university

Exceptions from course requirements, adjustments for taking examinations at set examination dates, etc. will only be made in accordance with UVic regulations as published in the Calendar. It is the responsibility of the students to acquaint themselves with these and with the relevant dates. The mid

A. Types of Consent

Mid-term # 2 (app.)

10. Assisted Suicide and Euthanasia
                                         Readings:Chapter 11,
materials on Brightspace

      A. Assisted Suicide
      B. Killing vs. Letting Die
      C. Arguments For and Against Euthanasia
      D. Medical Assistance in Dying Act; available at http://www.justice.gc.ca/eng/rp pr/other autre/ad am sr/

11. Abortion
                                           Readings:Chapter 5,
materials on Brightspace

      A. The Status of the Human Embryo/Fetus
      B. Arguments For and Against Abortion
      C. Ethical relevance of Methods of Abortion

12. The Right to Have Children
                                       Readings:Chapter 5,
materials on Brightspace

      A. Ambiguity of the Concept
      B. Arguments For and Against the Right to Have Children
      C. Surrogate Motherhood and Related Issues

13. Biotechnology
                                          Readings:Chapters 8 and 9,
materials on Brightspace

      A. Ectogenesis
      B. Cloning
      C. Genetic Engineering, Etc.

14. Review